

## J. R. RACE & Co.,

129 and 135 North Water St.,  
Have just received from New York the

### LARGEST STOCK OF CLOTHING

Ever brought to Decatur, which will be sold at prices LOWER than ever offered before.



### IN MEN'S, YOUTHS' AND BOYS' SUITS & OVERCOATS

Our assortment is simply unparalleled—every style of manufacture can be found in our stock.

SUITS from \$5.00 to \$35.00; OVERCOATS from \$3.00 to \$40.00; CHILDREN'S AND BOYS' SUITS from \$2.00 to \$16.00.

### HATS.

We are not only Retailers but Jobbers of Hats and enjoy the facilities for close buying that enables us to undersell any Hat house in the city.

### FURNISHING GOODS.

We have the Largest and most Select Stock in the city, showing all the NEWEST DESIGNS and Novelties in Neckwear, Underwear, Hosiery, Handkerchiefs, Collars, Cuffs, etc.

### MERCHANT TAILORS.

We lead them all in this line. Examine our stock of Piece Goods, consisting of SCOTCH SUITINGS, CLAY WORSTEDS, Montanac and Shetland Overcoatings.

## J. R. RACE & CO.

WM. YOUNG.

CARL YOUNG.

## YOUNG BROS.

HAVE OPENED THEIR

### NEW MEAT MARKET.

North Side of Park,

And are prepared to furnish the very best

### Fresh and Cured Meats,

LARD ETC.

WHEN UP TOWN  
ORDER AT  
P. Ulrich's & Co.

## E. L. MARTIN.

ORDERS BY MAIL  
PROMPTLY FILLED.

### Martin's Coal Bulletin.

#### DECATUR COAL

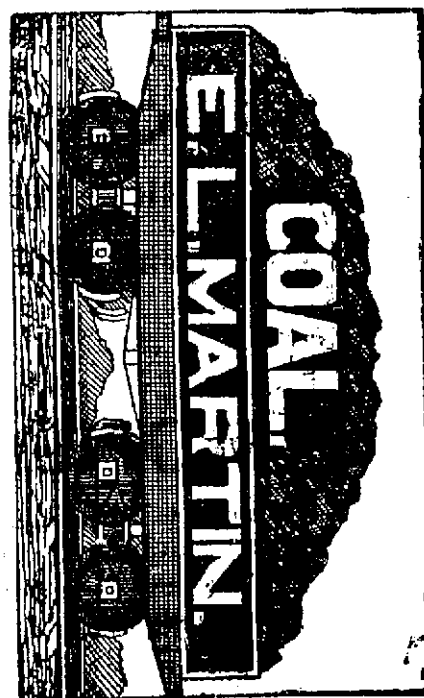
Is delivered direct from the shaft,  
LUMP, NUT AND PEA.

#### SOLE DECATUR AGENT

For the Ellsworth Coal Company, Mt. Olive and Stanton Favorite Coal. Our Lute received every day.

#### HARD COAL

Is shipped direct from mines in box cars, and nothing but dry and bright coal is offered for sale. Plenty of help to load same.



## COAL!

EAST ELDORADO AND NORTH MAIN STREETS.

## THE DECATUR Gas Light & Coke Co.

IS HEADQUARTERS FOR

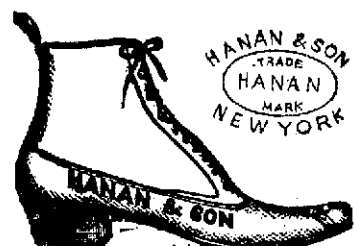
### COKE

### TAR,

Coke Delivered to any part of the city on short notice.

GIVE IT A TRIAL.

R. J. STRATTON, Sup.



The shoe is made in so many ways and shapes that a perfect fit is certain, and duplicates always obtainable. Made of best stock, well put together, they are durable, stylish and comfortable. Wear them once, and you will have no other. Sold by all dealers. Ask your shoe dealer for them.  
HANAN & SON.

FOR SALE BY  
POWERS & HAWORTH.

### GET A HOME.

#### THE SECOND SERIES OF THE LOAN AND HOMESTEAD ASSOCIATION.

Of Decatur, Ill., is now open to subscribers. Monthly installments of 50 cents and upwards will draw interest at the rate of 8 per cent per annum. Stock and interest subject to withdrawal at pleasure of the holder, under the rules and regulations of the society.

Loans made to stockholders according to OFFICE—At No. 145 N. Water street, over New York Store.  
JOHN T. HARKET, Pres.  
R. McDONNAY, Secretary.

#### SPECIAL BARGAINS

—AT THE DECATUR—

#### New Carpet Factory

FOR RAG AND CHAIN CARPETS.

I can show a finer display of home-made carpets at my saleroom than can be seen in Central Illinois.

Carpets made to order at short notice and the price charged will be in proportion to amount of coal used.

Best taken in exchange for carpets. Please call and see for yourself.  
C. A. WESTPHALER,  
199 Old Square—Kottlitz Block.  
Sept 28 & 29

W. W. SHOOK, the contracting carpenter, is ready for business and will make figures on application. He will also put in putty and window sashes when desired, and guarantees satisfaction.  
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Look at our price list in this paper. Then give us a call. Our prices are not to be beat. We carry the largest stock of Boots and Shoes in the city. Call and see for yourself. J. H. BLACK & SON.

Also the popular styles and best makes of ladies' fine shoes at J. H. BLACK & SON.

Miss's heavy Boots, from \$2.00 to \$4.00  
J. H. BLACK & SON.

Shook's Sutter's "Little Darling" Havana filled cigar.  
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J. H. BLACK & SON.

### Martin's Coal Bulletin.

#### BLACKSMITH COAL

In any quantity.  
PITTSBURGH AND GROSSBURG.

#### BRAZIL BLOCK.

This coal is guaranteed to burn to white ash and make no clinker. It is mined at Brazil, Ind., and is unsurpassed for domestic purposes.

#### ALL COAL IS REWARDED BEFORE DELIVERING.

Special Prices on Soft Coal in five and ten ton lots.  
Call and see me.  
Yours, &c.,  
E. L. MARTIN.

#### PERSONAL AND IMPERSONAL.

—S. D. Van Gelder, aged seventy years, and Miss Hattie Millison, aged twenty years, were recently married at Jamestown, N. Y.

—Charles Moran, a ten-year-old boy living at Grass Valley, Cal., has become totally blind from getting sand in his eyes while swimming.

—A citizen of Denton, Md., aged seventy-seven, married a blushing damsel of seventeen recently, and at the reception following the ceremony danced a polka with her.—*Baltimore American.*

—A New York banker whose personal beauty is a negative quality is said to have won a large wager by betting that he was not the ugliest man in the metropolis and, proving it by producing his son.—*N. Y. Mail.*

—There are two families of the name of Dodd in Barton County, Georgia. They are not related, and interest in them arises from the fact that one of the families are composed of nine girls, while the other is made up of eight boys.

—James Armstrong, of Louisa, Can., a well-to-do farmer, aged eighty-three years, fell in love with a maiden of seventy-six summers, who rejected his suit. Thereupon he made his will, bequeathing her all his property, and then hanged himself.

—During the past summer a young lady at a Long Branch cottage and a gentleman at one of the hotels who was not allowed to visit her, successfully carried on correspondence by means of carrier pigeons, one of which he contrived to get to her by the coachman.—*N. Y. Tribune.*

—The golden wedding of Henry Rosnowsky and his wife Zella was celebrated in Boston the other evening. The event is the second golden wedding among Israelites ever celebrated to have been celebrated in Boston. A procession was formed, led by twenty-seven grandchildren and three great grandchildren, in the order of juniority, and the venerable couple were escorted to a hall, where religious exercises were held by Rev. Dr. Lasker.—*Boston Journal.*

—Mr. Carpenter, the "Carp" of the Washington regiment of winter letter-writers, being now in Dublin, sends this: "The Irish brogue coming out of the pearls teeth of a rosy-cheeked, bright-eyed Irish girl sounds very sweet indeed, and were I a millionaire American with one or two American girl babies, I would come to Ireland to raise them for the sake of their complexions. The beauties are not, however, confined to the upper classes. I saw pretty girls everywhere."

—What bothers society ladies more than any thing else is to keep up with the fashion in walking. One season a lady will be expected to adopt a winning gait. At another time swinging strides will be the style. The slow walk and the rapid pace alternate in popularity. Nothing lasts long. If fashion decrees that a woman must make herself a perambulating convulsion of millinery and dry goods, it is all right. The style must have its run.—*Atlanta Constitution.*

—In 1842 one thousand men formed the Old Defenders' Association of Baltimore, and on September 12 of each year celebrated the battle of North Point, fought in 1812. Three years ago the association expired because the five resident members required by the constitution could not be present at the meetings. Of those one thousand men but four are alive: George Boss, aged ninety-two; James C. Morford, ninety-one; John Pettocord, ninety-one, and Nathaniel Watts, ninety-one.—*Baltimore Sun.*

#### "A LITTLE NONSENSE."

—Folks who live in tall houses had best not make up faces at earthquakes.—*Boston Herald.*

—"The single scull race!" exclaimed an old lady, as she laid down the paper. "I didn't know there was a race of men with double skulls."

—"We see a Virginia man has invented an 'anchor for fence posts.' Well, maybe such a thing is necessary. We have frequently seen buoys at gate posts.—*Burdette.*

—More than four thousand couples have been patented in this country, and yet there are hundreds of thousands of men and women yet unpatented.—*Small Children.*

—On a first glimpse of the sea: "Astounding! Who would have thought there could be as much water as that?" "True; and remember that you only see what's on top."—*Tid-Bits.*

—"Isn't it heavenly?" ejaculated Miss Gash in reference to Miss Pedal's performance on the piano. "Yes," replied Fogg, "it is indeed heavenly. It sounds like thunder."—*Boston Transcript.*

—"I Climb to Rest," is Lucy Larcum's latest poem. The difference between Lucy and herself is that we climb to work and she to rest on the third floor. Climb up and see us, Lucy.—*Danville Breeze.*

—"Oh, Freddie, you mustn't dig any deeper! Our teacher said the Australians lived right down through the ground, and what would papa say if you should let it right into our garden?"—*N. Y. Telegram.*

—Fond Father: "My boy is going to be a great man. He is always reading something. He will make a smart man some day." Visitor (to boy): "What are you reading now?" Boy: "The base-ball guide."—*Detroit Free Press.*

—"Can you tell me, my dear," said a hen-pecked husband to his scolding wife, "the difference between you month-end and a court-house door?" "No, sir, I can't." "Well, then, you had better have one of the other of them closed so that other people can tell the difference, even if you can't."—*Newman Independent.*

—Dream and dream—  
Dreamer, say, will you dream of love  
That'll rise a tide of sweet romance,  
Where stars drip down from the skies above  
In molten spatters of bud and bloom.  
—*Philadelphia Call.*

Yes, sweet love, we'll dream and dream,  
Until the crimson of the dawn  
Do cure all diseases of the liver,  
Kidney or blood. Only a half dollar a bottle at Swearingen & Hubbard's Drug Store.

The Verdict Unanimous.  
W. S. Salt, druggist, Bippus, Ind., testifies: "I can recommend Electric Bitters as the very best remedy. Every bottle sold has given relief in every case. One man took six bottles, and was cured of Rheumatism of 10 years' standing." Abraham Hare, druggist, Belleville, Ohio, affirms: "The best selling medicine I have ever handled in my 20 years' experience, is Electric Bitters. Thousands of others have added their testimony, so that the verdict is unanimous that Electric Bitters do cure all diseases of the liver, kidney or blood. Only a half dollar a bottle at Swearingen & Hubbard's Drug Store."

These leaders of the Shoe Business, J. H. Black & Son.

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## REASONS.

There are forty reasons why men dress well, some of them decidedly curious should they be probed.

Expediency of odd sorts, serves to accomplish certain ends and the like.

Most men, we trust, rise to the higher plane of neatness and good taste. A well bred man pleases himself and enjoys a satisfaction in knowing he attracts no attention by too little dress or too much. In our very full supply of NEW FALL BUSINESS SUITS, DRESS SUITS, FALL OVERCOATS, BOYS' and CHILDREN'S SUITS, you will find the happy medium, that every gentleman of good taste and every mother of refinement, who wishes to see her boys well dressed, enjoys.

In answer to the enquiry so often asked, WHERE CAN I DO THE BEST? we would say, and prove it if necessary, that every dollar's worth of goods that is delivered to us, after being examined and found correct, is paid for, SPOT CASH. This, and a twenty years' experience in our business, knowing how to buy, where to buy, offsets any argument that has been and may be made by any of our competitors as to their offering extraordinary bargains without any good reason on their part as to their superior ability, financially or otherwise, to procure them.

The Reliable Clothier and Gents' Furnisher,

## B. STINE.

## ATTRACTIVE PRICES!

### Ladies' Jackets

### THIS WEEK,

### BRADLEY BROS.' New York Store.

\$8.00	Boncle Jackets with Plush Trimmings.....	\$5.00
\$9.00	Astrachan Jackets.....	\$5.95
\$10	Heavy Astrachan Jackets, Tailor Made.....	\$7.95
\$15	Astrachan Jackets with Mountain Lynx Trimmings.....	\$10
\$18	Brocade Matalasse Jackets, Russian Hare Trimmings.....	\$12
\$20	Persian Matalasse Jackets, with Plush and Fancy Trimmings.....	\$16
\$28	French Frieze Jackets, with Plush and Fancy Trimmings.....	\$16
\$30	Plush and Astrachan Jacks, with Silk Quilled Linings.....	\$20

## BRADLEY BROTHERS'

NEW YORK STORE.

## 75 DOZEN

—OF FINE—

## Percale Shirts

—ON SALE AT—

## CHEAP CHARLEY'S

At a Price.

### ARMOUR & CO., FALL AND WINTER GOODS

#### STAR HAMS. STAR BACON.



Delicious Flavor. No pains are spared to make these meats the BEST that can be produced. People of EPICUREAN TASTES are highly pleased with them.

If your Grocer or Marketman does not keep them, send direct to us at Armour & Co., Chicago. Ang12-100d3m

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CELEBRATED POWERFUL SUCCESS, GIANT, CALORIFIC AND PERFECT FURNACES

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For all Kinds of Fuels and Markets.

LARGEST VARIETY WITH LATEST SCIENTIFIC IMPROVEMENTS.

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DECATUR, ILL. Sept 7—dec4m

ANTHROPOMETRICALLY cut and made Children's Overcoats, at reasonable figures, in latest styles, at Stine's.

BURNER & HUBBARD have just received another invoice of Ladies' Strap Slippers. They are very popular.

If you have any hats to be repaired, take it to H. Mueller & Sons. m15-dtf

### FLEURY'S,

The French Cutter, 158 MERCHANT ST.

Our Elegant Line contains all the Latest Styles of

#### DOMESTIC AND IMPORTED WOOLENS.

#### OVERCOATINGS

To Suit Everybody.

Our Line of FINE PANTALOONS is the best in the city.

#### PERFECT FIT AND SATISFACTION

Guaranteed to all.

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The French Cutter, 158 Merchant St., DECATUR.

#### SPECIAL COMMISSIONER'S SALE.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, ss.

In Circuit Court of Macon County—In Chancery.

The Board of School Trustees of Township No. 1, Range Two East of 24, N. W. 1/4, Section 36, Twp. 24 N., R. 2 E., 11th M. Public notice is hereby given, that, in pursuance of a decree entered at the May Term, A. D. 1886, by the said Court, in the above entitled cause, J. W. McMillan, Special Commissioner, will, at the hour of two o'clock in the afternoon, on

Tuesday, the 30th day of November, A. D. 1886,

at the west door of the Court House, in said Macon County, sell at public vendue to the highest and best bidder, the following described real estate, lying and being in the County of Macon, State of Illinois, to-wit: The north half of the southwest quarter of the northwest quarter, and the southeast quarter of the southwest quarter of the northwest quarter, all in section No. 36, Township 24 North, Range 2 East of 11th M.

TERMS OF SALE—Cash. Said land is sold subject to redemption.

Dated at Decatur, Illinois, this 4th day of October, A. D. 1886.

J. W. McMILLAN, Special Commissioner.

### PALACE HOTEL

H. W. DAVIS, Proprietor.

To my old friends in Macon and adjoining counties I would say, COME AND TRY THE PALACE

You have known me in the Nursery and Stables business for over a quarter of a century. Come and see if I can serve you in the Hotel.

I have at no little expense improved my house so that in many respects it stands first in the city. LIVERY ATTACHED.

H. W. DAVIS, Prop'r. Jan. 1—dwt







